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Nebraska State Poultry Show and Convention, Kearney, Nebraska, January 16-20. Tickets on sale January 14 to 20, good returning until January 25th.

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Great is retrenchment!

Miss Grace Cummings departed for her nome, Sunday morning.

On an average a locomotive engineer travels 20,000 miles in the course of a year.

A further reduction of ten men is expected in the company's force here, next Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. McAlpine was down from Dener, close of last week, guest of her parents.

Thirty-four men were let out of the company's employ here, last Saturday. The reduction is in the carpenter forces, the machinists, their helpers, etc.

March first next a new schedule of wages will go into effect on the U. P. There will be quite a considerable reduction all around aamong engine and trainmen, office and shop-

Fireman R. L. Harris who has been laying off for the past two months on account of sickness has returned from McCook and will be able for work in a few days.-Alliance

The remains of the late T. J. Potter, the well known general manager of the Union Pacific railway, were last week disinterred, together with those of his daughter, at Ottumwa, Ia., and taken to Burlington, that state, for rein terment there.

Charley Pruitt has been going to and from our city for several weeks past as a relief man "Pearl" is now relieving the operator at Yuma, Colo., having been called there Wednesday night. The B. & M. is sure to give him a good position in the near future.-Ar-

The Texas anti-scalper law has been killed as the result of a friendly suit brought against the International & Great Northern railway. Judge Todd of Houston decided that the road need not redeem the unused portion of a ticket, thus destroying the civil penalty clause and igvalidating the whole act.

Combination does not always force up prices. The report of the railroad commissioners shows that in the last twenty years the thirty-six railroad companies of Massachusetts have been consolidated until now there are only fourteen. During the same period freight rates have decreased 55 per cent on an average all over the state. Since 1865 the decrease has been 64 per cent.

Do you know that Harlan county has more miles of railway than any other county in south western Nebraska? No county west of Adams, Clay and Nuckolls has so much mileage. The following is the mlleage taken from official reports in various counties: Nuckolls, 139.09; Adams, 132.07; Clay, 121.18; Harlan, 81.25; Kearney, 71.81; Webster, 70.97; Furnas, 62.27; Red Willow, 50.46; Hitchcock, 46.19; Franklin, 46.34; Perkins, 43.85; Dundy, 41.50; Frontier, 32.12; Gosper, 20.83; Chase, 18.48; Hayes, 12.57.

George Powers, an Englishman in the employ of the Burlington, in the city freight department at the Bluffs, is about to become an independently rich man, says the Council Bluffs Globe, through the medium of an heiroom on his mother's side of a big chunk of English real estate, property that has been in his family for a great many years. About a week ago an English agent, representing an English law firm, came to Council Bluffs from Birmingham, England, in quest of Powers, and made known to him the fact all he would have to do would be to establish his identity as the rightful heir and he would be fixed for life. This Powers had no difficulty in doing, and after the signing of numerous papers the agent returned to England with the promise that something might mature that would be worth the while of his trip. The agent, Burton by name, would not disclose the exact amount of property that would fall to Powers, but it is understood to be in the neighborhood of \$50,000.

On Thursday evening, of last week, six men rode up to the eating house, at the depot, alighted and called for supper. They were fairly well dressed and kept their coats tightly buttoned. This fact and the many particular inquiries which they made about distances to neighboring cities aroused suspicions that they might be a gang of train robbers. Superintendent Campbell was notified by wire and he notified conductors along the line to be on their guard, and gave them orders not to stop for danger signals, but to slow up until they could ascertain the cause. News of the state of affairs got newsed about among the passengers on train No. 15, Friday evening. Several Red Cloud gentlemen were on the train and each of the adopted some plan of his own to save what money and valuables he had on his person.-Red Cloud Belt.

William Markin, a bridge carpenter on the Burlington & Missouri railway, met with a serious accident Tuesday afternoon which may prove fatal. While working on a bridge over Box Elder creek, near Hudson, Colo., a small station between Brush and Denver, he fell from the top of the bridge, about fifteen feet, striking on his head. He was taken to Denver on train No. 149, for treatment.

The gross earnings of the Burlington road from January 1 to December 31, 1893, are \$38,356,483, a decrease of \$2,055,918 from 1892; the freight earnings were \$24,229,767, a decrease of \$3,257,185; the passenger earnings were \$10,185,381, an increase of \$2,279,452; the operating expenses were \$24,502,189, a decrease of \$1,656,807. The total net earnings for the year were \$3,894,294, a decrease of \$578,210.

The company evidently has something in view on the St. Francis line, from the frequent visits made to the branch by the officials. General Superintendent Calvert and Superintendant Campbell were over there, Wednesday again, in the latter's private car.

It is rumored that two more engines and crews will be put on the passenger service,

No. The shops will not be closed, nor will they be moved away. Just lie low brethren until the storm is o'er.

slipped on the ice, Sunday, and dislocated his arm at the elbow. Chris Salen's two girls have been under the

doctor's care with an attack of tonsilitis.

W. M. Irwin's son 'about six years of age

C. J. Pope of Red Cloud was at western division head quarters, Monday.

F. W. Campbell's baby has been quite sick. Also George Atkins. Still rumors of further retrenchment in

railroad forces.

Charlie Williams' child has been ill with the croup.

Willie Malen has the lung fever.

District Court Filings.

The state of Nebraska vs. James K. Ellis, gambling, January 20th. C. S. Quick vs. Simeon Billings et al., ap

peal, January 26th. Pekin Plow Co. vs. James Harris, equity January 29th.

Robert McFarland vs. Edwin W. Mosher et al., equity, January 29th. Robert McFarland vs. Capital National

Bank of Lincoln, equity, January 29th. James Porter et al. vs. (apital National Bank of Lincoln, equity, January 29th. George E. Thurman vs. Ella R. Thurman,

divorce, January 29th. S. J. Mattocks vs. Paul E. Boyston et al., John J. Lamborn vs. Loyal M. Hayes et a., equity, January 31st.

TRANSCRIPTS OF JUDGMENT. John A. Noel vs. Stephen Cloud, \$50.70, January 18th.

S. T. Brahler vs. Frank Kellogg, \$56,25, January 18th. Raymond Bros. & Co. vs. Eli Collette, \$123.55, January 29th.

Lawyer Selby was up from Cambridge,

William Divine came up from Lincoln, last H. W. Cole is absent in Illinois visiting at

Fernando Kennedy, son of F. M. Kennedy of Valley Grange precinct, is very ill with fe-

Stanton Rolley, a former citizen of this place, was recently severely injured in a runaway down the moutains in Colorado, while returning with a large party from a funeral.

From and after February 1st all accounts must be paid monthly. No credit will be given any one who does not comply with this rule. This is final.

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